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When Pete's clothes are too small for him to go on
My wife makes them over and gives them to John,
When for John who is ten they have grown out of da

When for John who is 'en they have grown out of date
She just make them over for Jim who is eight,
When for Jim they have become too ragged to fix,
She just makes them over for Bill who is six,
And when for young Bill they will also will also six, And when for young Bill they will no longer do, She just makes them over for Ned who is two.

So you see if I get the good clothing for Pete
The family is furnished with clothing complete, But when Ned got through with the clothing and when He has thrown them aside what do you do with them?

He has thrown them aside what do you do with them
Why once more we go round the circle complete
And begin to use them for patches for Pete,
But where, dear friend, can you buy clothes that wear,
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# Calmage Sermon

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 12.—Under the this sermon the benefits that accrue to men who serve and obey God. The text is Isaiah xlviii, 18, "Then had thy peace been as a river."

Israel? Art thou taunting thy people bay "I told you so? If you had only taken Ch thistles instead of rose leaves, then upon the thorns and thistles you must Are you like an executioner who upbraids and derides the trembling nurderer whose life he is soon to strangle with the rope? In drawing your enchanting picture of peace flowing like a river before a people harass ed by powerful foreign enemies and disturbed by internal dissensions are you not merely adding to their distress, as the mirage of the desert aggravates the thirst of the dying traveler? Are you saying to your miserable people: "Look at those beautiful banks watered by the river, rich in flora and tuneful with singing birds. They would have been all yours if you had not wandered into the desert of sin, but now they are lost to you forever."

"Ah, no," says the prophet Isaiah, "It is not to aggravate their thirst that I tell them of this river, but to invite them to return to the way from which they have wandered; not to exult over their misfortunes, but to warn them of the consequences of sin. I am not here glorying in the suffering of God's fallen ones. My river is not composed of the black waters of the river Styx, but from the flowing crystal waters of the river of life. I am like a loving father whose wayward son has disregarded warnings and has sinned and brought himself into trouble, and the father sorrows with him and pleads with him to repent and assures him that if he will forsake his sin his wickedness shall be forgiven and his peace shall be like a river, as though he had never sinned." May God help us as we use the banks of the Jordan or the Rhine or the Tiber or the upper Thames or the banks of our own po etic Hudson for a sacred pulpit. Such a river bank today may become as sacred a pulpit as that in the chancel of Westminster abbey or St. Paul's or Canterbury cathedral, even though

The pleading river, in the first place, teaches us that the divine peace which comes to man must come as the result term a miracle. It does not come as a miraculous wind which might dig up a seed in some Italian garden and in its teeth lift it above Alpine crag and carry it over land and sea and without human aid plant it as an exotle upon the banks of the Ohio or the Monongabela river. But the divine peace comes to man as the result of a rational cause. It has a rational source, as a river has a natural source; it has a natural flow, as the Jordan has a natural flow, and it has a rational outlet, as the Amazon empties itself into the Atlantic or the Ganges finds a resting place in the huge reservoir of the Bengal gulf.

thing that specific gravity says "thou shalt not do." This fact is demonstrated everywhere. I climb one of the tall pyramids of the Rocky mountains. I stand upon this watershed I repeat to myself the beautiful words of the

God sent his messenger, the rain, And said unto the mountain brook, "Rise up and from thy caverns look. And leap with naked, snow white fee From the cool hills into the heart Of the broad, arid plain."

and the course of a river, are they no equally inexorable in reference to the source and the course of his divine peace, which is like a river?

The Conditions of Peace.
You must obey God's laws before you can enjoy God's peace. To resist them to disobey him, is to set yourse against omnipotent power and infinite wisdom. It is not necessary that Gos should punish you for it; you bring the should punish you for it; you bring he punishment on yourself in failure and disappointment and eternal with your whole nature is given over anarchy and lawlessness. Only use you yield to his will do you put yourself. in line with the eternal order and the into peace. I do not care her much you may think your way is bent than God's ways, one fact you must under

and obey God's commandments. Naaman had to learn this lesso fore he could be cured of his lep His way was that the prophet shall come out to him and stand and call the name of the Lord and strike in hand over the place. God's way w that he dip seven times in the Jord When he took God's way he was cu but not until he took it. God's way cure you, O immortal, of your simple you ready to welcome this divine pe

h Jesus Christ? The way of the land, have the most fertile valleys? The er of London. Through this gate the is the source of this peace. From rivers. What makes Sahara one great | English kings sent their enemies for unt of Calvary that stream sea of sand? The absence of the rivers. incarceration or decapitation. Oh, my forth, as from Mount Hermon Yes, as the Egyptians for centuries friends, can it be that you or I must the Jordan and from the Ad- worshiped the river Nile because its ever pass through the traitor's gate, the pleading river teaches us and ine, clothing or nakedness, prosperity of death for those who love not God?

deepen and widen and grow spiritual to all around us. majestic in volume, even as the on in their grandeur to the place re they are married to the waters of Bovernors island, in upper New York It should go on growing deeper wider, even as become the waters

e river Orinoco where they empty elves into the unfathomabl of the sea. When, in 1498, opher Columbus for the first time hed the mainland of South Ameri nd saw this great river, one of his ers congratulated him because he discovered another Island. The as that flows from an island. That mighty torrent drains the waters of a continent." The pleading river of God's peace grows wider and deeper as we travel along its banks in the journey of life. At the beginning of our Christlan course it may seem a small stream, but as the years pass and our feet come

passeth understanding. Is this increasing power true in reference to our spiritual peace? As you compare your present life with that of your spiritual life ten, twenty, thirty years ago are you conscious that you Do you read the Bible more now than you did when you joined the church and prepared for your first communion? Is your enjoyment of prayer and now than they were at first? Are you striving more earnestly than formerly to gather the showers of blessing that are everywhere falling around you into more ready now than at the beginning of your Christian career to go into the or bereavement has fallen to administer comfort and to cheer him with reminders of God's promises? There is something awfully wrong with a Christian who, while his wealth and mental power increase with the passing years, finds that his spiritual nature does not widen and deepen like the pleading river of God's peace. Not Like a River.

all. It is more like a brackish, stagnant pool or as a dried up well that forth no water. "There was a ing trough. "Indeed," answered little rubbish got in it, then a little

Indeed, I sometimes think that our

"Yes," said the that the figure of our peace? Is it a doing good, he buries himself in a wall-

Missouri, the Ohio, the Tennessee and the Red rivers and indirectly by the Allegheny, the Monongahela, the Yel lowstone and the Platte, so from many sources might the river of our peace re ceive the waters of blessing, but in Jacob's well have choked it up, some of us have choked up our gospel wells in went another pebble-absence from each pool gather, freshet-like, into the river beds great musical victory over the irate of our learts.

But

a river, which will come to you the Atlantic coast, especially New Eng- of the "traitor's gate" of the old Tow rise or fall meant to them food or fam- which is today swinging over the river a about the divine peace or poverty, health or disease, the rivers | Can it be that there shall ever come a of our land are the source of fertility a disciple of Jesus Christ lives a to the soil and prosperity to our people. ian life the deeper and wider does If the peace of our hearts is to be like ing words: "Oh, that thou hadst hearkriver of his peace become. It a river it must give help temporal and ened unto my commandments; then

Are we temporal and spiritual "rivs of the Hudson grow deeper and ers of life" to our fellow men? Some as they slip past the highlands of us are truly "rivers of death" or ap the feet of the Palisades and "rivers of seclusion." Our lives are like the stygian stream in the great Mammoth cave of Kentucky. We are surne mighty deep at the nuptial altar rounded by grandeurs and beauties on every side, but we have walled our- prima donna, was recently in Madrid selves in by solid rock, where we can she received every day at her hotel a do no good to others and where others cannot do any good to us. Like Lurny Cave.

Or our lives, if they are not like the Styx of a Mammoth cave, supporting

only a few blind fish swimming hundreds of feet below the surface of the earth, may be like the wonderfully uggestive beauties of a Luray cave of ortal explorer replied: "No such old Virginia, which likewise are doing no good to any one. That Luray cave is a marvelous place. Though its beauties were burled for centuries, yet under the flash of light it looks as though its walls had been erected only yesterday and, like the Taj Mahal of India, are a glittering mass of dead precious stones. Yonder stand the columns of stalagmite as statuary in vestal garments of purest white. Here are the drippings of a cataract, as though the mad rush of a Niagara had been instantly halted and, like an open mouthed lion, dared not utter one growl, although even now we seem to hear the echo of its last wild, mad roar. Yonder is the "ballroom," where our imagina used to sport and dance and make merry. Near to this "ball hall" is the "cemetery ridge," where those nymphs and fairles were buried ages on ages ago. Here are the "hanging veils of the goddesses," so thin that through them flashes the light of our guides' lamps, so red that they seem to have been dipped in the blood of the soldiers who over this very mountain once followed Stonewall Jackson in his last raid or into the blood of those soldiers who recoiled before the cavalry charge of "Lightning Horse" Phil Sheridan. From yonder cathedral, with its domes and spires and steeples and minarets and strange carvings, there come echoing up the solemn notes of an organ which roll and swell and thunder and whisper and pray and chant and die. From out of every grotto stretches some hand or lifts some snowbank or flaps some wing or, like a cat's eye blinks some emerald or, tiger-like, so called peace is not like a river at glares the bloodshot eyeball of some ruby or flashes some emerald. And while all the chimes of all the towers are beginning to ring suddenly a sta-

All its walls are strangely sculptured, Column high and chasm wide. Tis the place where all the shadows Of the past years silent hide.

But when I stood within the walls of that fascinating place I said to myself: How like selfish man is this cave His heart is a heart of stone, Amid the sufferings and troubles of a sinful Is world, with all his vast resources for ed citadel, which is called his home or eats, he sleeps, he works for himself, and himself alone. Oh, brother, may your gospel peace be not like the glit tering grandeur hidden in the darkness of a Luray cave in Virginia or of a si lent river Styx flowing through the dark halls of a Mammoth cave of old Kentucky! May it be a river of life, bringing peace and joy and hope to all who are willing to bend down their

A River of Triumph.

But I cannot close this sermon upon Years ago we dropped the pebble of this beautiful text without finding one Sabbath desecration into it. Years ago more symbol. The pleading river is not only a river of consecration to God, but a river of triumph. It is not only the crystal gates through which, as the Sunday newspapers instead of the Bi- Jordan of death, we shall enter the tomb, but it is the crystal gates by which we shall leave the wilderness of Yorker returned to his office and there trouble and earthly wanderings and en- engaged himself with the daily matar, is like a brackish, stagnant ter into the promised land of heaven ters of his calling. Six hours after the dried up like Jacob's well. If and eternal joy. Shall our peace, which sailing of the steamship he read a list like a river, the fault is ours is like a river, stop at the brink of the of her passengers and found therein the

George I, of England. When King George was elector of Hanover he befriended the young unknown musician Handel and made him court musician. But after Handel had won musical fame he tired of the Hanover court and hied himself to London. This greatly enraged the elector. When he became king of England as George I, he would have nothing to do with his old favorit is to love the Lord our God ite. But one day the king gave a great fete upon the river Thames. As the royal barge moved along another barge followed, playing twenty-five concertos It is a law of our nature that of music. These concertos, gathered together under one musical head, are known as the celebrated "water music" of Handel. Every musical instrument then known was utilized in the orchestra, "Ah," said King George, "no one could compose such music as that but my old court musician, Fredersires or turns away from | ick Handel!" At once the king restored Handel to favor and gave to him a salary of \$1,000 per year. But, though with America? "I would Handel upon the river Thames was merica, but the people are able to play himself into the good as you think," said Thom- graces of an earthly king, our divine to an American visitor, "You peace, like a river, shall yet open for us t of your democracy or any a more triumphant entry into the royal ey' or any other kind of polit-th, but the reason why your have to play as Handel played, but we lolks are so happy is that you shall have all the celestial choir which ist deal of land for a very few sang for the shepherds above the Ju-True, Thomas Carlyle, true. daean hills sing for us the hallelulah

un unless its roots once waded playing his "water music" upon the ep in the mud? What makes stream which washed the iron gratings tele.

time when God shall speak to us an eternal condemnation with the followhad thy peace been as a river and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea!" Oh, for the peace, the everlasting peace, of God, which is like a river! [Copyright, 1905, by Louis Klopsch.]

He Wooed Through Mother's Cakes. When Mme. Ella Russell, the English neat little parcel of cakes. They were good cakes, but not out of the ordinary, and never once was there a line or word about the packages to give a clew as to the sender. This continued up to the last night she was to sing, and then came the denouement.

As she left the concert hall she was accosted by a small but haughty man, who swung off his great soft hat with a flourish worthy of an ancient Castilian hidalgo.

"Think not, gracious lady," he announced, while Mme. Russell stood silent in very surprise, "that I have failed to see and honor your notice of unworthy me. For twenty nights your voice has charmed me. For twenty nights you have not failed to seek me with those wondrous eyes in the topmost gallery. For twenty nights I have not slept for the thought of thee. My mother has a bakery here in Madrid. I am my mother's only son. And" -here he knelt in the street, his hand upon his heart-"my life and fortune are at your feet."

stress.-Success.

"Yet I went home," said the song-Our Moral Progress. In the matter of embezzlements, defalcations, forgeries and bank wreckings our takings in 1904 (omitting Mrs. Chadwick's exploits) were \$4,742,507 as compared with \$6,562,165 in 1903. That shows improvement in morals or else diminished activity in business. Posboom years increased the distinction arose. between f. he and mine became better accentuated. As we stole less last year, so also we gave away much less, our total of gifts and bequests for 1904 being \$46,000,000 as compared with \$76,000,000 in 1903 and \$123,000,- two will be as big and brilliant as the 000 in 1901. Easy come, easy go. Mr. Carnegie, however, was able to disembarrass himself of more than \$11,000,-000 last year. J. D. Rockefeller was apparently less fortunate, unloading, so far as recorded, only \$1,461,000. Ninety-six colleges between them got amount given.-Harper's Weekly.

Mr. Ruskin at the close of a lecture in war made the following remarks to the ladies present: "Only by your command or by your permission can any war take place among us, and the real | have two big diamonds. final reason for all the poverty, misery for any creature out of your immediate

"Let every Christian woman who has | England the bleak. It is smaller than conscience toward God vow that she a minnow. Its scales must be picked will mourn for his killed creatures. Let off by hand, and only a small portion every lady in the happy classes of civilized Europe simply vow that while ablettes, or bleaks, to yield a pound of his store. He lives, he breathes, he any cruel war proceeds she will wear scales."—New York Telegram. black-a mute's black-with no jewel, no ornament, and I tell you again no war would last a week."

The Placid Life.

The late Adeline Sergeant wrote

Oh, I could wish to be An oyster in an Indian sea! An oyster in an Indian sea!

No fear, no care, no toll, no strife,
With nothing to enjoy but life—
A passive life, a negative, painless life,
Free from joy [or] wee or strife,
Oh, I could wish to be
An oyster in an Indian sea!

After having wished an old friend godspeed on a voyage to Europe a New name of another friend, one whom he We have read how George Frederick knew quite as well as the man he had "Wish I'd known this," he said to

himself, his eye roving regretfully from name to name. "Could have introduced them; too bad!"

And then the spirit of the twentieth century awoke within him, and he Scripture reading and responsive servsmiled. Catching up a bit of paper, he ice, in which the paster pledges the wrote something hastily upon it, called one of his office employees, hurried of benediction follows and then the him off and sank back contented in appropriate song, "Home, Sweet his chair. Six hours out of port, with | Home." New York far astern, the liner was rushing along the eastward ocean lane. Then her wireless apparatus began to click, and in a few moments one of the deck stewards was searching the ship to deliver this message:

John Smith, S. S. —, at Sea-Use this as introduction to my friend James Jones, a fellow passenger of yours. DICK. -New York Post.

Poverty of British Bishops, If proof were needed of the accuracy of the bishop of London's statement that the members of the Episcopal bench, notwithstanding their large salaries, often find it difficult to make both ends meet it is furnished by the will of the late bishop of Worcester, which has just been proved. Dr. Perowne, who died at the advanc-

ed age of eighty-one, was bishop of Worcester for ten years, and during the words quick enough to say: that time he drew £50,000 by way of stipend, and yet the most the bishop seems to have been able to do was to his expenditure just within his income, very probably represents little more at 50 cents.
than his life insurance.—London Chron-

MUST EAT ARSENIC.

Otherwise Makers of the Poison Could Not Stand Its Fumes.

Eating of arsenic is common in Styr-

ia. The Styrians say that arsenic makes one plump and comely and gives one strength for great exertion, such as running or mountain climbing.

Styria, in Austria, gives the world vast quantities of arsenic. The manufacture of this drug is indeed the main Styrian industry. They who make arsenic eat it, as a rule, for they say that only the arsenic eater can withstand the arsenic fumes.

These makers and eaters of the drug are comely. They have a blooming and clear color. They look much younger than they are.

"The foreman in a certain arsenic factory told me that in his boyhood, When he first went to that plant, he was advised to begin to eat arsenic lest his health suffer from the fumes," says a toxicologist. "He did begin, and his first two or three small doses gave him a sharp pain, like a burn, in the stomach, and this pain was followed by tremendous hunger and a violent, disagreeable excitement. But as his doses increased in frequency and size their effect became pleasant. There was no longer pain or excitement. On the contrary, there was a ravenous appetite, as well as a mood of joyous activity wherein he could do three men's work.

"This chap, by the time he got to be thirty, was taking four grains of arsenic a day. He looked at thirty, with his clear pink and white color, no more than twenty-three. He was as robust as a blacksmith. But he said he would die at forty-five or so, that being the age at which all the Styrian arsenic eaters die."

The drug is a preservative, and in Styria when graves are opened bodies are found to be as fresh six or seven years after interment as on the day they were lowered into the earth,-Chicago Tribune.

HALF FALSE JEWELS. How One Diamond Makes Two Each

as Big as the Original. lapidary was splitting a dia mond. He leaned forward with intent brows. His tiny machine buzzed like sibly as the distance from the great a bee. A delicate and shining dust Then suddenly everything was stilled,

and the diamond, split in halves, lay

"Out of one diamond," he said, "I am

going to make two, and each of these original one was."

in the lapidary's white, thin hand.

As he scraped up the glittering dust he explained: "First I will make in paste an exact duplicate of each of these two halves. Then I will join to the bottom of each genuine half its artificial complement, \$21,235,000, or nearly half of the whole | making the junction so carefully that no one will be able to perceive it. Finally I will mount these two half false and half genuine stones. Each then will appear to be altogether genuine. Their paste foundations will not detract in any way from their brilliance. The owner of the big diamond will

"The making of fake jewels," the lapand rage of battle through Europe is idary said, "is an interesting study. Do simply that you women, however good you know what the best fake pearls and religious, however self sacrificing are made of? They are made of fish for those whom you love, are too self-ish and too thoughtless to take pains pasted on the inside of balls of glass. The fish these scales come from is called in France the ablette and in of them can be used. It takes 18,000

Separating Them.

"In the old days, when the capital of Alabama was located at Tuscaloosa, there was a good deal of open gambling at that seat of legislation," said about seventy novels and stories, but a southern man. "It was the custom her first book was a collection of verses in those times for men of all grades of published when she was a little girl. society to risk their money at games Here is a morsel from this piece of of chance, and the lawmakers who gathered at Tuscaloosa were among the best patrons of the gaming tables. "The proprietor of one of those re-sorts, wishing to keep the state solons separated from the ordinary customers of his place, put up a big sign in the apartment devoted to faro, poker,

roulette and the like, which read: "'Members of the legislature please take the table to the right; gamblers take the table to the left. It's hard to tell you apart.' "-Washington Post.

Dedicating a Christian Home. The Rev. William Colbert Detling of Cleveland has prepared an interesting service-that of dedicating a Christian home. He reasons that the home might be dedicated to Christian work quite as much as the church, and he has prepared a simple liturgical service with this in view. This Christian home dedicatory service, as he calls it, consists of an appropriate hymn, home to the service of God. A prayer

A Quaker City Small Boy. You can't lose the kids. The other day a youngster entered the store of a prominent business man in a town near this city and approached the head of the house with the remark: "Say, mister, don't you want to buy

"What's it for?" asked the busine

"It's for a fair we're goin' to have to buy baseball suits for next summer," was the reply. "I'm selling tickets, too," returned the

business man, with a smile. "Mine are for the supper that is to be given for the benefit of the church. Suppose we The boy looked at the merchant with undisguised delight. He had heard of the supper and could hardly bunch up

"I'll go you, mister." The trade was quickly made, and it was not until some time afterward that live up to Micawber's ideal of keeping it dawned on the business man that the tickets sold by the boy were rated for the gross value of his estate is re- at 10 cents each, while those e was turned at no more than £1,120, which selling for the church supper retailed

> The boy was 40 cents to the good .-Philadelphia Telegraph,

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What art thou doing, O prophet of

hishop's hand has not consecrated it or ecclesiastical convocation dedicated

A river cannot disobey natural law. A river cannot become a free lance among rivers. A river cannot do any There upon the highest peak I find what is called a watershed. Then as

But, though the mountain brooks may leap from the cool hills into the heat of the broad, arid plain, it makes a great deal of difference into what plain that falling raindrop shall go, whether it falls one inch to the right or one inch to the left of the Rocky mountain watershed. One inch to the right it flows into the gulf of Mexico; one to the left it flows into the waters of the Pacifical The waters of a river must obey natural law. Now, if God's laws are inexorable in regulating the source

stand-you cannot get the divine it which is like a river, unless you

yourself into harmony with God's is

nearer and nearer to the great ocean of eternity the volume of the river increases until it becomes a peace that

ove God more now than you did then? tion tells us the nymphs and the fairles dependence upon it more intense your own spiritual nature? Are you

preacher on his vacation, "is that so? then lies still, to be decomposed by the I wonder what is the matter with it. coming ages. A marvelous and en-How did it get filled up?" "Neglect, chanting place is Luray cave of old sir," answered the farmer. "First a Virginia. of natural law in the spiritual life. It is not the result of haphazard. It is more and a little more and a little more. The dirt and refuse were not cleared out, and the water grew wors and worse and less and less until at last the well became choked up. I wonder if there is any water at the bottom of this well?" preacher, "I wonder if there is any wa ter at the bottom of the well?"

well and not a river? As the Mississippi river is fed by the stead we allow the dirt and refuse of this world to choke the passages by which they might enter and our river we become dried up spiritual wells? As parched and sinful lips to lap of the childish imagination; the tourists dropping pebbles into spiritual waters. Sunday school and church worship Years ago we took to reading the ble. No wonder that our peace, which should pass all understanding and be like a river, widening and deepening God's. God is pouring down grave? everywhere his showers of blessing, which we should Handel on the river Thames won his seen off.

e pleading river not only our relationship to God, but practical spiritual relationship fellow men. It clearly and emally and distinctly says, "Gospel inst be eyes to the blind, food hungry, clothing for the naked py firesides for the homeless." es man that the first great comour soul and strength and love our neighbors as ourhas made another happy. so restful as that of him eved the anxiety of his e peace that passeth underver fills the heart that cher-

at would our lands be worth if chorus of a royal and livine welcome. not have our mighty rivers to But I think myse, of one suggestive them? Whence could our cattle fact about this same river Thames. water to drink and grass to eat Though Handel by sweetest harmony the rivers? How could our may have played himself into the good at its golden cheek to be kissed graces of an earthly king, yet he was